



GOD'S LOVE

AN INVITATION TO PRAY

Wherever you may be, will you link your prayer with ours that we may, through prayer, infuse our country with the divine power of our Lord God. We invite you to pray each day for our country for speedy victory in war and for a new awakening among the people of our nation to the power of the living God. Moses prayed and he saved a nation, Exo. 32:14. Joshua prayed and the sun stood still and his enemies fell. Josh. 10:12-20; Psa. 34: 3-8, 35; 55:18-22.

JUST ONE WON FOR HIM

If I could write one song for Him,
One sweetly haunting phrase for Him,
That would cause the mortal man to listen
And, hearing, pause to know the truth of Him—

If I could place one lighted candle
Along the path He bade us trod,
That even just one stumbling brother
Would find the pathway that leads to God,

I would not feel when life had ended
That my journey here had been in vain,
For if each mortal help one another
'Twill be for God an endless chain.

—Mrs. Z. E. Yarbrough, Oakley, Calif.

THE GROUND OF

EPH. 2:20

May 6, 1944

"Pray without ceasing." 1 Thess. 5:17.

1 TIM. 3:15

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NOTES From My LETTERS

By
J. H. WALKER
General Overseer

TELEGRAM

Had a great day April 2, raised \$2,942.76 cash, \$517 pledges to be paid in sixty days, liquidating entire indebtedness of church here. Beginning a revival with great interest, Brother Latimer as evangelist.—J. L. McCoy, pastor, Dillon, South Carolina.

We have just closed our third district convention of the year. Each convention was very successful, spiritually and financially. The Meadville offerings were: Aged ministers, \$16; orphans, \$27; missions, \$280.56. Morgantown offerings were: Aged ministers, \$18.66; orphans, \$27; missions, \$160.30. Delta offerings were: Aged ministers, \$25.88; orphans, \$30.07; missions, \$501.87. The first Y.P.E. convention netted \$113.06 for the orphans.—Clyde C. Cox, overseer, Mississippi.

In revival at Douglas, Georgia, with Rev. Joe E. Flowers, pastor. Having great revival; many praying through, altars filled every night, having big crowds. The church would not hold the people last night. Biggest crowds in the history of the church, so we are told.—W. F. Patterson.

We have just closed a wonderful revival at our church. There were thirteen saved, eight sanctified, and seven filled with the Holy Ghost. We also had three to become members of the church. The Lord surely did bless in a marvelous way. Many nights the Holy Ghost took charge and there was no need of preaching. Brother Clyde M. Caraway conducted the revival for us. The Lord surely did anoint him with special messages. We are expecting him to conduct another revival for us again soon. The church has a better interest now than it has had since I have been here.—Rev. James H. Clark, pastor, West Nashville, Tennessee.

We started a revival on March 19

with Brother Lee Power, of Abbeville, South Carolina, doing the preaching. He preached until the 27th; then J. F. Jenkins, of North Wilkesboro, North Carolina, came to us. There have been seven saved, thirteen sanctified, four filled with the Holy Ghost, and six added to the church. Others are seeking and the end is not yet. Pray much for us and should you get the chance, we welcome you any time to be with us.—J. E. Sechrest, pastor, Abbeville, S. C.

We are having some glorious revivals in the State. At Woodruff the first of the Assembly year a revival was held, and more than twenty united with the church. There were less than forty members at this place at the last Assembly, so you see it was a great revival. A few days later came a report that Columbia was in the midst of a wonderful revival. Almost thirty members were received in this meeting. Another revival at North Charleston resulted in sixteen additions to the church. At Slater recently twenty-one were received into the church. The membership at this place was approximately forty prior to this time. Our Laurens church is now engaged in one of the greatest revivals ever held at that place. Thirty-four members have already united with the church and the prospects look good for several more. In a number of other places great revivals have been in progress and numbers have come into the church.

I am happy over the thought of these great revivals and the increase in membership, but this is not all.

Our financial program is going well, also. We are beginning a new building at Conway. This is one of our newly organized works. Our brick building at South Greenwood is near completion. This work was organized last year. Several parsonages have already been purchased this year and other church improvements made. These are too numerous to mention. Several of the churches are lifting the entire indebtedness off their church property.—L. W. McIntyre, overseer, South Carolina.

TELEPHONE CONVERSATION

Upon my return from the West, I received a telephone call from Brother Harry A. Mushegan, pastor of the Church of God in South Cleveland, Tennessee, who stated that on Sunday night, April 2, ten were saved and four received the baptism of the Holy Ghost, that the church is having some great services, and people are receiving the Holy Ghost in their homes. He expresses the desire that you sincerely pray that this wonderful spirit may continue. Brother Mushegan stated that they were getting ready for a revival—in fact, that it is breaking out before the evangelistic services begin.

TELEGRAM

Best revival Tarpon Springs has had in five years. Two received the Holy Ghost last night, number of others blessed. Altar full every night. Attendance not excelled.—Colon T. Dunn, Tarpon Springs, Florida.

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SPECIAL NOTICE

39TH ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The International General Assembly of the Church of God will convene in the Birmingham Municipal Auditorium, Birmingham, Alabama, August 29-September 3. The Bishops' Council will convene August 25-29 in Birmingham. The Council of Twelve and Associate Councilors will meet August 8-20 in Cleveland, Tennessee.

The Mission Board will meet August 21-23, in Cleveland.

The General Assembly is extended to all who are privileged to attend the services.

Do pray that God will grant His blessings upon us during these perilous times.—J. H. Walker, Chairman, General Assembly Committee.

The Ministry Gifts of Christ

By E. C. CLARK

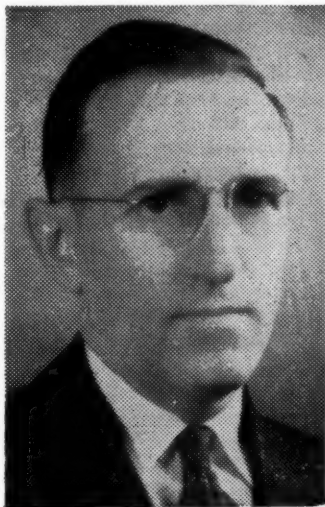
PROPHETS

With the study of the prophet, we enter more fully into diversity in divine administration. In the prophet we have, as in the apostle, a dual gift: (1) a man gifted with the Holy Spirit (Acts 1:8; 1 Cor. 12:4-11); (2) the man himself given by Christ unto His Church. In point of importance, the prophet was next to the apostle. Like the office of the apostle, the prophet derives his authority from Christ, the Head of the Church, who was Himself the prophet of the Highest. Luke 1:76; Deut. 18:15; Acts 3:22. The prophet is one who speaks for God. He must be capable of speaking suddenly by and upon receipt of a revelation from God. His message and ministry is now, as it has ever been, given by the Spirit. 1 Cor. 14:30; 1 Peter 1:12. As the representative of God, he may prophesy of or predict concerning the future, as in the case of Agabus, Acts 11:28; 21:10.

The ministry of prophecy was one of the gifts of the Spirit, 1 Cor. 12:10; the chief design of which was edification, exhortation, and comfort (Acts 15:32; 1 Cor. 14:3) of believers through the prophet, 1 Cor. 14:22. The first law of prophecy is that it must describe in detail; (2) that which is prophesied must be beyond the ability of the human mind to see or foretell; (3) such as is prophesied must also be beyond the ability of the prophet or any of his associates to bring to pass. Conformity to these three laws will admit a divine utterance or enactment.

Of those whom it may be said of them that they were prophets, the apostles themselves should qualify first. Though all the apostles did not leave any divine writings, we may most certainly assume that those who did were possessed of the spirit of prophecy. Others who are listed as prophets are Agabus and the "prophets from Jerusalem" (Acts 11:28), Judas and Silas (Acts 15:32), the four daughters of Philip (Acts 21:9), and an unnamed class mentioned in Acts 13:1. History also names other prophets.

The importance of New Testament prophets is emphasized in Eph. 2:20



and in Eph. 3:5, where they are named alongside of the apostles. They assisted in laying the foundation of the truth of the gospel and in the "revelation of the fellowship of the mystery" of the Church. It is reasonable to assume that there were New Testament prophets who were as those of the Old Testament, classed as "major," and that there were also others classed as "minor," though not actually classed as such in the New Testament. It is clear, however, that those prophets mentioned in 1 Cor. 14:29-32 and 1 Thess. 5:19-21, whose message must be subjected to a "judgment" by the other prophets, and who may all prophesy "one by one," were not of the same importance and infallibility as those referred to as being associated with the apostles in "foundation" work of the Church.

The New Testament sets forth a very distinct type of prophets who were general in function and another local in nature and less dependable. It would appear from Luke 16:16 that even Eph. 2:20 and 3:5 were at variance; this is, however, said alone with reference to "the law and the prophets" of the Old Testament.

New Testament prophets working with the apostles were used of God in "foundation work of the Church," and in prophesying concerning things which concerned the body of Chris-

tian believers, generally, as is evidenced in Acts 11:28; while prophets of a local nature, such as mentioned in 1 Cor. 14:29, 31, probably were never used in giving a prophecy relative to things outside of the local church or community. The sure word of prophecy mentioned in 2 Peter 1:19, was the infallible word given by His New Testament prophets evidenced by fulfillment in many instances, and of such nature of agreement with the general body of revealed truth that it was as "a light that shineth in a dark place . . . unto which ye do well if ye take heed." Rev. 1:10; 4:2. This kind of prophecy was not dependent on its own revelation, or interpretation; it was in accord with the body of revealed truth throughout. Such prophecy came as of "old time," not by the will of man, but by the Holy Ghost. It was something present in the form of abiding fact, to which Peter referred as "we have." It was a possession. 2 Peter 1:21. These prophets were constantly referring also to the prophets of the Old Testament. See Acts 7 chapter; 1 Peter 1:10; Rom. 11:8; Isa. 29:10, and elsewhere. While on the other hand there were some prophets whose individual spirit so hindered, or so controlled the Holy Spirit, that they could only prophesy according to the proportion of their own faith. Rom. 12:6. Compare "signified by the Spirit," Acts 11:28, and "if anything be revealed," in 1 Cor. 14:30. There is no need for the "faith" of the individual in prophesying; if the Spirit dominates the prophet, the fulfillment is not dependent upon the faith of the prophet. In such instances it is purely a work of the Spirit, which required only a surrendered vessel.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LITERATURE RUSH

The Sunday School literature sold out almost entirely at the beginning of the quarter, though we had made reasonable increases. Next quarter we will make a substantial increase and thereby try to avoid having nothing to supply schools ordering later in the quarter. It is noteworthy that there is an upward swing in Sunday School attendance, even when the gas ration is more severe.

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RELIGION AND THE WORLD

BY THE EDITOR

No More Jewish Problem in Holland

ZURICH (JTA)—“There is no longer a Jewish problem in Holland,” Anton Musser, the Dutch Nazi leader, reported this week at a press conference in Berlin. He boasted that “more than 150,000 Jews have been deported from Holland.” His address was quoted by the Berlin radio.

Interest in Religious Broadcasts Increases

London reports that a year ago, 30 per cent of the British public were interested in religious broadcasts; 42 per cent actually disliked them. As of January this year, 42 per cent of listeners favor them; while those opposed have dropped to 33 per cent.

Foreign Mission Workers

The American Board of Missions (Congregational Christian) has issued a call for 158 missionaries to go now and after the close of the war into the Far East, South and West Africa, Fukien Province, Free China, Ceylon, India, the Micronesian Island, Greece, Turkey, Mexico, and the Philippines. There is an urgent need for doctors, nurses, teachers, social service workers and theological educators.

Ceilings and Rations

There is neither “ceiling” nor “ration” on the possibilities of prayer. The “ceiling” and the “ration” both meet at the throne of God, where Jesus said, “According to your faith be it unto you.” Faith allows no ceilings, nor does it allow that “ration” shall hinder the supply of those things which God hath prepared for those who love Him. If we ask anything according to His will, He heareth us. 1 John 5:14.

Perishing by the Sword

It was our Lord who said, “They that use the sword shall perish by the sword.” This is distinctly true as regarded in the light of human vengeance against Germany today. As a nation, Germany prepared and started the present war. In an endeavor to destroy London, she invited the vengeance of the powerful British

against Berlin, which is bomb-shattered and destroyed to a very great extent. The sword has turned upon her own head. It is claimed that 15,000,000 Germans are now homeless. But has not Germany made many more millions homeless as a result of the war she started? Sowing to the wind of the Luftwaffe, and reaping to the whirlwind of the RAF. God said it would be so.

They That Use the Sword

“All they that take the sword shall perish with the sword,” Matt. 26:52. This is the inevitable rule and law of war. It was natural that nations attacked would resist; therefore, the attackers and the defenders would die together. Whether our Lord in any way meant to sanction war by the above statement may be open to question; He did not, however, condemn those who were attacked for defending themselves. He asserted, however, that, “if my kingdom were of this world, then would my servants fight, that I should not be delivered to the Jews,” John 18:36.

Russian Jewish Seminary

LONDON (By Wireless)—Negotiations are being conducted with the Soviet Government for the opening of a central seminary for the training of rabbinical students from all parts of the Soviet Union, the Jewish Chronicle, published here, reports.

The negotiations are in the hands of a “certain” Jewish community which has been officially recognized by the Soviet authorities, the Jewish periodical states.

Students at the projected seminary, according to plans, will have equal status with theological seminarians of other denominations in Russia.

American Traditions Vital to Our Future

Not long ago the New York Times conducted a wide survey among colleges and universities and discovered that the teaching of American history has largely been dropped.

This is the logical and purposeful result of a new philosophy that has been spreading among educators—a

philosophy based upon the Socialistic theory that patriotism is degenerative. The Socialists and Communists (and certain other groups) believe that patriotism leads to nationalism—and works against the “internationalism” that has become a fetish with the followers of Karl Marx.

This astounding discovery by the New York Times has had the result of awakening the citizenry to this surreptitious achievement on the part of certain educators—and action is being taken in some quarters to correct this danger and demand again the teaching of American history and American traditions to American youth.

Palestine

Although there is no conscription in Palestine, one-third of the Jewish men and women have registered for military and civilian defense; 30,000 have volunteered in the various British military services. They gave a good account of themselves in the campaigns in Greece, Crete, Egypt, Abyssinia, Eritrea, Syria, Lybia, Tripoli, and, more recently, in Sicily and Italy. These brave and gallant soldiers derived their devotion and zeal from the inspiring thought that they were fighting as citizens of the Jewish homeland. Their courage and excellent fighting spirit have been highly commended by the great military leaders under whom they serve, and many of them were decorated.

Gangster Films

Rev. Harvey Springer, writing in the *Western Voice*, quotes from a London dispatch as follows:

“Gangster films are blamed, in part, for the increase in juvenile crime in England.

“A recently issued report shows that the number of indictable offenders under seventeen years of age in England and Wales went up from 20,540 in 1934 to 27,126 in 1936.

“Two-thirds of the crimes, officials say, are committed by boys and girls working together in gangs under such fancy names as ‘Black Klan’ and ‘The Secret Seven.’

“‘To many of these children it is just a glorious name,’ says one official. ‘Their imagination becomes fired by the exploits of the “tough guys” they see at the movies twice and some times three times a week, till at last they decide to form a gang of their own.’”

The Devil---a Master Magician

REV. FLOYD D. CAREY

2 Cor. 11:14, "And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light. Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works."

Reading a short while past an article by a famous magician, exposing the feats of magic they perform, I could easily see how the tricks were performed, thus some of the impossible tricks were exposed to be mere illusions, some were performed by the magician diverting the attention of the spectators. The master magician has performed many miracles for the pleasure of the people. He has diverted their attention from the things God has commanded us and turned them into fables. He has made the visual things such a reality that his ministers are able to drag countless millions to destruction. You ask, "Who are his ministers and how will I know them?" Any minister preaching that Jesus has not power to keep from sin as well as to save, is not preaching the truth. The Bible says He has all power in heaven and earth, and is able to save and keep.

The master magician has in this day required a weapon that is proving quite effective in luring people away from the faith. It is good jobs with big pay. God-called ministers will listen to the smooth voice of the evil one. He will get them to listen to his first words. He has gained an advantage. If you would refuse to listen to the first words of Satan, he would leave you alone; but we listen to him and he performs his feats of magic before our eyes. He tells us that Mr. Jones over the way does not give up the things we have. He does not pay tithes. He partakes of the things of the world. He says he is blessed. He will convince you of his lying statements and when you follow his advice you are lost. I know of several people who are on war jobs that call for seven days each week, eliminating any chance of their attending church. The devil will say you can live a good life and never go to church. He forgets to mention the fact that God has told us not to forsake the assembling of ourselves together as is the manner

of some. When he comes at us with all his force, if we cannot get a prayer through, we should get someone to help us pray. If one is insufficient, get the whole church. God has told us to pray one for another.

A brother in one of our churches, who had been a wonderful worker for the Lord and a good influence to his fellow workers at the place where he worked, was caught in the toils of the evil one and drawn back into sin. Several went to pray with him, with no results. Prayer was made by the entire church, in service and at home. God honored the prayers of the people. The brother was made so miserable he could hardly wait for Sunday night. When the altar call was made he made his way to the altar and prayed his way back to God. My, how he rejoiced in the mercies of Almighty God! How the church rejoiced! He is still shouting the praises of God. The master magician lured him away with his illusions but God brought him back with His realities. After partaking of the so-called joys of the evil one the veil was removed and the naked facts were revealed. Instead of peace the devil brought fear, instead of joy he brought sadness, instead of light he brought darkness.

I once was with a carnival that played at fairs (the Lord has blotted that out). At one of the gaming concessions there was a trough filled with water. On the water were ducks. On the bottom of the ducks was a number. On shelves in the rear of the tent there were all manner of beautiful articles, radios, clocks, irons, mixers, etc., also brass pins, whistles, and other worthless things. If you drew duck No. 3 out, you got article No. 3. You could get pins and whistles aplenty, but never any of the valuable articles. The reason was the numbers were not in the water.

Follow the pleasures of Satan. Listen to his ministers tell you that it is all right to mix with the world and enjoy all it has to offer. Vainly seek the peace that you desire. Follow after the beautiful lures Satan will dangle before your eyes. Too late you will find it is all a fake. The things he has promised were untrue. Too late you will find that the only real things

are those created by the Master Craftsman for His people. Too many people (people professing holiness not exempted) are trying to get a pay day here. If you are paid in advance, you are not entitled to remuneration on the real pay day.

Dear friend, let's set our affections on things above, not on earthly things. God says seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things will be added unto you. Let us this day realize that his (the devil's) things are like the scenes that the movies lure the people with—all false fronts to the building, fake snow, the death of the star was false, all unreal, yet enticing thousands daily, luring boys and girls into the glittering path of sin.

Let us awake, be alert, that we may be able to detect him at all times. Remember, he will come as an angel of light. You ask, "How may I know him?" There is just one way—the Word. "For the word of God is quick, and powerful, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to dividing asunder of the soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discernor of the thoughts and intents of the heart." When Satan comes at you with his false doctrine, get the Word of God, pray, and God will give you knowledge. May God preserve all of you blameless until the day of His visitation.

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Pressing Forward

MRS. KATHYRN THOMPSON

"Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do . . . I press toward the mark for the prize . . . Not as though I had already attained."

Paul had not attained that high mark; neither have you or I attained. But here are two words Paul used that I am much impressed with. "Press" is that which will exert the energy so as to take one out of himself into the largeness of Christ. Sometimes we hear the expression that one is pressed by his enemies. If we were doing the pressing toward the prize, we probably would not even know the enemy was near. We hear of "pressing times" being "hard pressed." I'm using all of my energy to gain the victory over the work that is pressing, to hold the job that is too difficult for me. How much pressing are we doing that we might know Christ and His fellowship? We do not often find a person who says, "I must press harder toward the goal, that I will be able to suffer more." We are a soft people in this day, too much used to comfort and ease. Paul said he gave up a lot of things. He was of a well-to-do-family, with a paying job. He never said, "I can't leave my job to go preach the gospel." He said, "Every thing I ever lost I count it gain, that I may be found of him, not with my own righteousness . . . that I may know him and the fellowship of his suffering." How can I know the fellowship of His suffering? The only way one can know any fellowship is to share it. Oh, I never thought when I got the call to preach the gospel it had any suffering in it. To be sure, I will give up my job. But don't the churches pay pretty good these days? Not for those who are made conformable unto His death. Paul wanted not only the fellowship of His suffering, but he saw even greater things in the life to come: "If by any means I might attain unto the resurrection of the dead."

Paul used another strong word—"strive." "Yea, so have I strived to preach the gospel, not where Christ was named, lest I should build upon another man's foundation: but it is

written, To whom he was not spoken of, they shall see: and they that have not heard, shall understand."

So many young preachers have the wrong idea of taking the gospel to a lost world. They expect to go to a ready-made church, to a ready-made congregation, and a pretty good salary. Where do they expect to find the millions of lost souls, seeing they do not attend church? There were no such churches when the old apostle received the call to go. He had no guarantee that he would have three good suits, and a nice house to live in. No, he often fasted from necessity, and slept on the hard ground.

It was an old French lady who troubled the water near my door, so I am trying to trouble it for you. It was a decade ago that she went into the bayou lands, far into the country, "where Christ was not named" among the French-speaking people, except in churches with crosses and statues. This little French sister went to tell them about the risen, living Christ, not on the little wooden cross, nor with the dead saints. She often slept on a hard floor, at times had little to eat. She was striving to preach Christ

where He was not named. She knew what it was to kneel before the various saints and implore them to do many things. But once she was sewing in a home of a Christian lady who did not wait to get into a pulpit to preach Christ, but right there in her own home she told the little French lady of Him who can live in the heart. God has given her boldness to go anywhere and witness for Christ. I heard her only a few days past, as we left the streetcar, speak to three French sailors about the love and joy that fills her heart. Then in the hospital again she told the simple story to some sick soldiers, some of them wearing little medals of saints around their necks. And this, my friends, is in our own America, not in China. You can still find some places where fine churches stand, but the gospel is prohibited. Also, those many faithful church-goers would be afraid to listen if it was preached. Ecclesiastical rulers in high places are making the puny little preachers afraid to preach the gospel. They even pass laws to prohibit it. If you doubt this, just try it in some of these Roman ruled towns. Why don't you try some striving in a place where no church is back of you? Try preaching Christ where He is not known. You will not have to go to Africa. If any one of you is of the "striving, pressing" kind just try getting out on your own and preach Christ. You will get unpopular very fast.

Divine Healing

By REV. SAM HOLCOMB

Does God heal in these last days? Yes, Jesus is just as able to heal now as He was when He was here on earth and after He had arisen from the earth where He had been laid.

In Mark 16:15-18 Jesus said, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; they shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they

shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover."

Now we have five signs here and if one of them has stopped, all the rest have stopped too. Some will stand for some of them and others for others; some make a hobby of tongues and some of serpents and some one thing and some another. If I were going to specialize on any one, I would prefer casting out devils and healing the sick. I would have the same right to one as the other, and healing and casting out devils would be worth more to this lost world.

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B. T. S. and College News

WE MORTALS

Four Types of People Look at Life

C. L. WEIGEL

Individuals share much in common with the whole human family, as, for instance, the desire for food, an ambition to excel, and a tendency to worship; but in a number of respects individuals may differ from their associates. An important difference lies in one's concept of life itself and the consequent pursuit of personal ideals. A person's sense of values will determine his choices and will influence his career more largely than any other factor.

We may consider all human life as divided into four general types, each successive type represented by a plane lying certain degrees higher than the preceding. All four planes possess several points in common, for all are characterized by impelling motives and by the desire to achieve certain ends; but, viewed separately, these levels of human life appear to be widely separated, inasmuch as their standards and aims are markedly divergent from one another.

The first, and lowest, plane of human ideals is the purely physical realm. Here multitudes jostle one against the other in eager pursuit of material things to satisfy physical cravings. They must have food; their ambitions carry them to the most appetizing dinners, to the most delectable sweetmeats, to the rarest and choicest of beverages. They must have rest; they want beds of down, private chambers in quiet, secluded houses, warm blankets in winter and electric fans in summer. They must have physical pleasure; their delight is in sensuous thrills and voluptuous excesses. Among high and low, rich and poor, are creatures who aspire merely to a gratification of the flesh.

A higher level in human life may be designated the mental plane, wherein a large number of persons vie with one another for intellectual recognition. The human mind can be most ingenious when carefully directed, and once aroused, its development is almost unlimited. But men strive to cram the mind full of facts and ideas much as a squirrel would store acorns

in a hollow log, supposing that a storehouse of knowledge is an end in itself, not considering that just as the furry creature must select his acorns from the store, crack them between his strong teeth, and eat the kernels, before the storehouse becomes of any practical value, so must the learner discover the art of regulating his life by a wise use of his store of knowledge.

For the thinker life is more meaningful than it can ever be for one who aspires merely to physical gratifications. Life becomes deep when thoughtful consideration is given to the why's and how's of existence. Life becomes an adventure when one enters upon a careful investigation of the elements and forces that make up our natural world.

As the thinker dwells in a higher plane than the carnal man, so does the moral person enjoy the benefits of the fresher, purer air of a plane above the second level. Conscience contributes much to one's esteem for human life, and the individual who is led by conscience will usually display a regard for the noble and good, for the right and true. Lofty sentiments will distinguish the moral man from the physical or intellectual and will reward him with pleasures not discernible by the natural eye. High ethical principles will win the respect and admiration of society and will instill serenity and confidence within one's own heart. Morality is the most commendable of all three states but is by no means the highest type of all human life.

There is a fourth plane, rising above the moral, which we shall designate the spiritual. Here man dwells in his true element, the plane intended for him by his Creator and that which man himself is most suited to. The real man is not flesh and blood which can be weighed in a balance, but is spirit which itself is clothed in flesh for the accommodation of the natural world. In the present natural realm, man possesses eyes, ears, a head, limbs and a complex system of blood vessels and nerve structure, but the real man himself cannot be seen.

Man is akin to God and might enjoy the grand privilege of communing with Him if he so chooses. Man is so

constituted that he can share fellowship with Deity, a state of which there is none higher in this world. Happy is the man who has entered into friendship with God!

PUTTING THE SUNDAY SCHOOL ACROSS

By LaVAIL MAQUIRE

The greatest task in God's kingdom is the development of a Christian character. This is a task in which the Sunday School may factor largely. First, we need leaders who are able to wake the school up to its financial and numerical strength. No school has yet reached its limits of attendance. In order to do this, the teachers must have a broader vision of the Sunday School work. They should ask themselves, "What am I doing? Merely spending an hour on Sunday with the kiddies just to pass the time? Am I alert to the tremendous responsibilities of winning that child to Christ?" It is the golden opportunity for molding the child's life for Christ. We should paint on the minds and hearts of boys and girls, pictures of Christ's life and beauty. We not only should teach about Moses and the manna, Noah and the ark, Gideon and his sword, but the end of such instruction is winning souls to Christ.

We must develop a stronger faith. Faith moves the mountains of impossibilities. Faith in the children will lead them to look to us as big brothers and sisters.

We must have a burning enthusiasm and love. Enthusiasm will surge through our beings only when we have lived on our knees with our Bibles. This will send us out during the week to seek the straying scholars. It also will build a wall of love about the boy or girl who is drifting here and there. That burning enthusiasm will enable us to carry out our policies, and stay with the work until the school grows in number and strength.

Blessed is the worker who is able to bait the hook with these qualifications. Jesus said that He would make us fishers of men. We are out to catch fish for the Master. To catch them we must bait the hook for them. Most of our fish are young people from

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Gethsemane

By Hoyt M. Redmond

Matt: 26:36a, "Then cometh Jesus with them unto a place called Gethsemane."

(Much has been said about the birth of Christ, of a virgin, etc., but the essential of salvation is the death and resurrection of the begotten of God. The writer has been more deeply impressed by the vicarious death of Christ, and submits this article with the prayer that it may be a blessing to the reader.)

Jesus went about His work for three and a half years. His Messianic kingdom was rejected and it came time for the passover. He ate the "last supper" with His disciples and when they had sung a hymn, He led them out into the moonlit night, across the brook Kedron and on to the garden of Gethsemane.

Leaving the supper, Judas had gone to the Jews, offering to give them Jesus for so much. The Jews had purposed to kill our Lord, but for fear of an uprising among the people they had planned to wait until after the passover. Now, their plans could be consummated and Jesus would truly be the Paschal Lamb or the Passover for all future generations.

But first must come Gethsemane and that is our subject. Dear reader, if you could visualize what occurred there, I feel sure you would be determined to serve Christ at all cost. I know there are those who say it was a weakness of our Lord, a cowardly sensibility (for many have faced death without a shudder) and that we are too sentimental if we mention His drops of blood. But it was more than death He faced (though He conquered death)—it was the sins of the whole world.

His hour of humiliation was at hand. Jesus had come to His own but His own had not received Him. The Infinite must suffer for the finite. Nothing remained but pain and misery. Man's sin and apostasy burdened His soul and He must face it alone, as far as men are concerned. Is it any wonder then that He said, "My soul is exceeding sorrowful, even unto death"?

Leaving the other disciples, He takes with Him Peter, James and John.

(They seem to be closer to Him than the others.) But they cannot comfort Him in His human mental anguish, and the burden of sin bears heavily upon His heart and He drops upon His knees. Great drops of sweat as blood fall from the brow of the immaculate Son of God. Yet in all this we hear Him say, "Let this cup pass; nevertheless, not as I will, but as thou wilt."

He was strengthened by an angel as He communed with God, and after praying three times, He came to where His disciples slept. He was ready to face the scourging, mocking, and spitting, and keep His silence, even before the governor of the land. He had conquered. He was resigned to the will of God, the death that must follow to answer man's every need.

Sinner friend, do you not see that Jesus here made the surrender to the death by which He may bear your sins and without which you are forever lost? Christian, do you not realize that He saw the suffering by which you may be perfected? And afflicted one, He also saw the stripes by which we are healed.

There is yet another thought which I feel the writers would desire us to have—WE MAY HAVE OUR GETHSEMANE. We read: "As Jesus was buried in death and raised to life, we are baptized unto his death." Rom. 6:3-8 (which things are an allegory). Even so as Jesus prayed, can we pray—a victorious prayer. Read 1 Peter 2:21. Christ lifted the burden FOR sin, but we may lift our burden FROM sin. Yes, we can have our own Gethsemane.

Notice that Jesus was strengthened when He prayed. Oh, the hearts today that need strength and courage to face the clouds ahead! Friend, you may feel that you don't have a friend, but Jesus cares for you. Remember that His closest friends forsook Him. We cannot bear others' sins as did our Lord, but others' burdens can be our burdens.

If we don't get our will, can we still say, "Not my will but Thine be done"? Truly our hearts need to be resigned entirely to the will of the Father as was Jesus in Gethsemane.

May God bless you.

Death Notice

"Mrs. Prayer Meeting died recently at the First Neglected Church, on Worldly Avenue. Born many years ago in the midst of great revivals, she was a strong, healthy child, fed largely on testimony and scriptural holiness, soon growing into world-wide prominence, and was one of the most influential members of the famous church family.

"For the past several years Sister Prayer Meeting has been in failing health, gradually wasting away until rendered helpless by stiffness of knees, coldness of heart, inactivity, and weakness of purpose and will power. At the last she was but a shadow of her former happy self. Her last whispered words were inquiries concerning the strange absence of her loved ones, now absent from her presence, busy in the marts of trade and places of worldly amusement. Her older brother, Brother Class Meeting, has been dead for many years.

"Experts, including Dr. Works, Dr. Reform and Dr. Joiner, disagreed as to the cause of her fatal illness, administering large doses of organization, socials, contests and drives, but to no avail. A post-mortem showed that a deficiency of spiritual food, coupled with lack of fasting, faith, heartfelt religion, shameless desertion, and non-support were contributing causes. Only a few were present at her death, sobbing over memories of her past beauty and power. Carefully selected pallbearers were urged to tenderly bear her remains away, but failed to appear. There were no flowers. Her favorite hymns, 'Amazing Grace' and 'Rock of Ages,' were not sung. Miss Ima Modern rendered 'Beautiful Isle of Somewhere,' but none had any idea where this fancied isle might be. The body rests in the beautiful cemetery of Bygone Glories, awaiting the summons from above.

"In honor of her going, the church doors will be closed on Wednesday nights save on the third Wednesday of each month, when the Ladies' Pink Lemonade Society serves refreshments to the members of the Men's Handball Team." — Southern Presbyterian Journal.

The Church of God Orphanage

REV. F. R. HARRAWOOD, *Superintendent*

DONATIONS TO ORPHANAGE

(Quarterly Report)

ALABAMA

Mrs. Dee Thomas, East Gadsden: 1 box candy.
Mrs. May Whatley, Birmingham: 1 package.
Donald Newby, Prichard: 1 package.
Mrs. F. J. Loy, Birmingham: 2 packages.

ARKANSAS

Bellew Sunday School, Searcy: 2 packages.

CALIFORNIA

Church of God, Salinas: 1 dress, 1 washcloth, 1 towel, 1 shirt. Used: 10 skirts, 7 blouses, 3 jackets, 1 pr. shorts, 1 slip, 1 dress, 1 sweater.

FLORIDA

Mary Ann Stephen, Sulphur Springs: 1 blouse, 1 slip, 1 hair bow, 1 pr. step-ins, 1 pr. anklets.

Mrs. L. H. Horner, Mulberry: 1 toy, 6 books, 22 prs. anklets, 5 yds. muslin, nuts, 3 boxes crayons.

Y.P.E. and Sunday School, Sulphur Springs: 2 gift packages.

Mrs. David Jowers, Dunedin: 3 yds. print, 1 pr. anklets, 1 spool thread; 25c. Used: 1 slip, 1 skirt.

Mrs. H. F. Rogers, Winter Haven: 11 packages.

Goldie Mae Gatlin, Lacoochee: 9 packages, 1 box candy, ball and bat.

GEORGIA

Georgia Ministers' Meeting, Atlanta: 48 lbs. cabbage, 1 case milk, 5 No. 10 cans green beans, 1 case rolled oats, 1 box cornstarch.

Mrs. L. M. Smith, Waycross: Used—1 coat, 5 dresses, 3 skirts, 1 cap, 2 jackets, 1 shirt, 1 suit underwear.

J. W. West, Carrollton: 3 cases of coffee (substitute).

Mrs. John Miller, Atlanta: 1 box candy, 2 tie racks.

Mr. Ramon McGill, LaFayette, 12 packages.

ILLINOIS

Sunday School Card Class, Urbana: 1 Bible.

KANSAS

Mrs. Bledy Lem, Wichita: 2 packages.

KENTUCKY

Mrs. Marie Phillips, Clemons: 6 prs. pillowcases.

Mrs. B. P. Smith, Hargis: 12 pkgs.

gum. Used: 10 dresses, 5 skirts.

A. J. Rice, Pinsonfork: 1 suit.

Andie Rice, Pinsonfork: 2 jackets.

Thomas Trout, Pinsonfork: 2 prs. pants, 9 prs. socks, 3 prs. shoes, 3 shirts, 2 color sets, 1 apron, 1 bag marbles, 1 toy stove, 1 bracelet.

The Church of God, Rutherford: Used: 4 dolls, 1 cradle, 6 puzzles, 3 games, 1 pencil, 10 books, 1 bag marbles, 1 toy stove, 1 bracelet.

MARYLAND

Church of God, Iglehart: 5 bath towels, 6 washcloths, 1 apron, 1 slip.

Mrs. E. Simmons, Baltimore: 4 packages, small bank of pennies.

MAINE

Mrs. Robinson, Rockport: Used: 7 dresses, 1 gown, 3 prs. panties, 1 sweater, 6 caps.

MISSOURI

Church of God, Springfield: 3 dolls, 4 books, 6 blackboards, 3 tea sets, 2 puzzles, 2 sets blocks, 2 tinker toy sets, 1 teddy bear, 2 metal motor boats, candy, nuts, and fruit.

MICHIGAN

Mrs. A. M. Curtis, Ypsilanti: 1 large package.

NEW JERSEY

Church of God, Millville: 1 pr. gloves, 2 skirts, 3 pieces underwear, 1 slip, 7 dresses, 1 shirt, 1 jacket, 7 prs. galoshes, 1 pr. shoes, 3 prs. socks, 2 caps, 1 pr. leggings. Used: 20 dresses, 2 house coats, 8 coats, 1 vest.

NORTH CAROLINA

Mrs. Henribella Ward, Wadesboro: \$5.00.

Mrs. Hannah Ward, Wadesboro: 8 packages.

PENNSYLVANIA

Margaret Helman, Carlisle: Used: 7 dresses, 5 blouses, 1 jacket, 1 bathrobe.

Elsie Staley, Reading: 1 package.

SOUTH CAROLINA

Rev. Harry Kutz, Greenville: Used: 419 garment hangers.

Margaret Morgan, West Greenville: 1 slip.

Mrs. W. E. Hair, Edgefield: \$3.00.

Mrs. Katie L. Crowder, Greenwood: \$2.00.

Mrs. Gillispie, Easley: 2 packages.

Mrs. John Fields, Orangeburg: 3 tie sets, 2 ties, 2 pencil cases, 2 prs. socks.

TENNESSEE

H. B. Black, Cleveland: 12 jars jellies and jams.

Miller's Store, Cleveland: 23 prs. overalls, 5 jumpers, 3 blankets (fire damaged).

Mrs. Berthy Pushby, Chattanooga: 1 package.

Polly Bolton, Dayton: 1 package.

Mrs. Maidie Gernigan, Nashville: 1 package.

Wright Arnold, Jellico: 1 package.

Gilford Layne, Daus: 1 package.

Mrs. Jessie Ruth, Chattanooga: 2 packages.

TEXAS

Rev. C. T. Thomison, Lubbock: 9 pieces print, 2 sets quilt blocks, 6 bath towels, 1 slip, 1 suit, 1 pr. shoes, 1 quilt, 1 pr. anklets, 4 spools thread, 1 pr. panties, 1 pr. pillowcases, 3 shirts, 2 dresses.

Mrs. Nettle Wood, Celeste: 12 doilies, 3 table mats.

Mrs. Barnett, Paris: 4 packages.

VIRGINIA

Church of God, Barren Springs: Used: 8 dresses, 2 sweaters.

Church of God, Saltville: 9 gal. vegetables, 8 gal. fruit, 5 gal. jelly, 2 gal. sausage, 5 3/4 gal. pickles, 2 jars peanut butter, 2 jars syrup, 1 can soup, 1 pk. potatoes, 24 pkgs. cereals, 2 bars soap. Used: 44 dresses, 24 blouses, 4 prs. overalls, 2 caps, 9 prs. pants, 10 shirts, 10 skirts, 6 jumpers, 5 hats, 33 prs. panties, 10 prs. socks, 5 sweaters, 1 pad, 1 gown, 6 sunsuits, 10 towels, 10 dolls, 2 purses, undershirts.

Mrs. Gladys Lambert, North Tazewille: 2 packages.

WASHINGTON

The Church of God, Wapato: Used: 14 prs. pants, 6 suits of underwear, 2 undershirts, 3 sweaters, 2 dresses, 1 pr. galoshes, 1 pr. slippers.

WEST VIRGINIA

Mrs. Cartwright, Anawalt: 1 package.

WISCONSIN

Mrs. Hazel Priest, Mosinee: 2 prs. hose, 1 box soap, 1 box hdks.

Bertha G. Shideler, Mosinee: Used: 1 pr. pants.

FIRST QUARTER, 1944

	Missions	Orphanage
Alabama	\$ 802.02	\$ 716.67
Arizona	104.10	126.97
Arkansas	67.90	163.11
California	359.40	433.17
Colorado	23.91	19.75
Connecticut	1.27	8.82

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REQUESTS FOR PRAYER

PRAY FOR:

The complete healing of my body.—Mrs. May Milum, Fort Gay, W. Va.

My healing, my left leg is in a serious condition and I haven't walked on it in seven weeks.—Mrs. Hazel C. Woodward, c/o Angel Clinic, Franklin, N. C.

My daughter to be healed of mumps.—Mrs. Horace Standridge, Brasstown, N. C.

My family and me, we surely need prayer.—Marvin Burns, Ft. McPherson, Ga.

The healing of my husband's body; me to be healed of head trouble.—Mrs. Alma B. Sharpton, Rt. 4, Box 206, Augusta, Ga.

My mother to be healed; me.—Miss Juanita Baldree, 12 Brassell St., Montgomery 7, Ala.

Me, I need special prayer.—Mrs. Leonard F. Couch, Hixson, Tenn.

A middle-aged woman who is insane; my brother and his wife; another brother whose health is bad; a sister.—A Church of God member, Rt. 1, Jesup, Ga.

My three sons in the army; me.—Rosie Crews, Box 218, Folkston, Ga.

The healing of my body of high blood pressure and a severe cough.—William F. Mooney, Rt. 4, Box 109-A, Galax, Va.

The healing of Mrs. Rhoda Seward's mind, body and soul.—Anna Ellis, Rich Hill, Mo.

The complete healing of my body; my husband and children.—Mae Taylor, 2803 Caracas Ave., Tampa, Fla.

My healing.—J. D. Greenlee, Shaw, Miss.

My healing, I am suffering severely with kidney trouble and my head and eyes are bad.—Mrs. Mary Lemaster, Rt. 2, Mt. Park, Okla.

My healing, I have been an invalid for two years. I have many complications—arthritis of the spine and colitis, also my eyes are becoming very bad.—Mrs. L. D. Harer, Box 1351, Logan, W. Va.

My son in the Service that he might be saved and protected.—Esther Freeman, 371 Washington St., Atlanta, Ga.

The healing of my body; the healing of my son's leg.—Mrs. Vera Morris, Rt. 1, Boston, Ga.

The healing of my mother of heart trouble; my father to be healed of high blood pressure; my sister's body to be healed.—Mrs. Stella Henderson Carter, 1928 Griffin Ave., Selma, Ala.

The healing of my little boy who is very sick with whooping cough.—Mrs. Ernest Hicks, Moravian Falls, N. C.

My husband in the army that God will protect and encourage him; my three little boys, two of whom have the measles.—Mrs. Frances Wallace, Rt. 1, Box 948, Winder, Ga.

God to heal my body, the doctor says I have nervous indigestion.—Ida Mullins, Sophia, W. Va.

My son who is in a critical condition in a hospital in Texas. He loses consciousness and turns green, the spells last twenty-four and thirty-six hours. He has to fight all time now to keep consciousness but he is gradually getting worse. The doctors have given him up.—Mrs. Bryant Newell, 900 Washington Ave., East Ft. Myers, Fla.

The Lord to completely heal me of something like a crick in my neck, I am sore all over.—Florette Fowler, 3311 Virginia Ave., Newport News, Va.

The healing of two friends—one of whom is cripple, the other blind; God to undertake for me.—Nancy Mobley, 717 N. 5th St., Carmi, Ill.

The healing of Miss Callie Bearden, Box 136, Elberton, Ga. She will appreciate encouragement. The healing of my sister-in-law, Mrs. James Rackley, and her father, Mr. Joe Dawson, Rt. 1, Trion, Ga.—Mrs. Earl Rackley, 91 Tate St., Elberton, Ga.

The Lord to heal me of a hurting in my side; my weak body to be strengthened and healed; my husband to be healed of kidney stones.—Fannie Adams, Rt. 2, Crab Orchard, Ky.

The healing of my husband, the doctor says he has T.B., we have four little children.—Mrs. Ellar Curtis, Copperhill, Tenn.

God to undertake for a special request; the healing of my body.—Mrs. W. H. Elmore, Rt. 5, Box 158, Alexandria, Va.

God to heal my body of aches and pains.—W. R. Mayberry, 300 Withers St., Lynchburg, Va.

My husband to be healed of asthma; my two sons to be healed, one of asthma, the other of weak eyes.—Rosie Collins, Rt. 3, Mt. Vernon, Tex.

The Lord to heal my body, I am trusting Him.—Sister Louvinia Taylor, Rt. 1, Bush, La.

My healing.—Henry Swanson, Pine Crest Sanatorium, Beckley, W. Va.

God to heal my body. Encouragement appreciated.—Mrs. Sue Mae Gregory, Clinton, S. C.

God to undertake for my son and his family.—Mrs. L. A. Chitwood, Box 228, Pendleton, S. C.

The healing of a girl who has been ill for about a year, she is young and bent over with two large cancerous tumors on her back and neck and the pains in her body are severe. She and her mother also need more light, their knowledge of Christ is very weak. The girl's address is Lillian Orchard, 18 N. Rhode Island Ave., Atlantic City, N. J. Encouragement will greatly help her.—Mrs. Louella Emanuel, 15-A Irving Ave., Atlantic City, N. J.

The Lord to heal me of high blood pressure and heart trouble.—Gladys Burns, Rt. 1, Dora, Ala.

The healing of Sister R. S. Lyons who is in poor health.—R. S. Lyons, Pulaski, Va.

The salvation and healing of my uncle who has been in the hospital for an operation for quite a while.—Mrs. Clarke E. Goodman, 728 N. Glensens St., Casper, Wyo.

God to heal my father and step-mother, both are in the hospital in a serious condition.—Mrs. Elva Weatherman, Jonas Ridge, N. C.

Rev. Vernon Sechler who has just undergone an operation and needs prayer.—James L. Slay, pastor, Cleveland, Tenn.

The healing of my body; my son in the Navy; God to undertake here at Cockeysville, Md.—Mrs. George McKann, Jr., Cockeysville, Md.

Notices

Changes of Address of Ministers and Workers

James C. Aldrich—702 Ridge St., Charlottesville, Va. Phone 948.

Harlan, Ky., Church of God, is on the air over station WHLN, 1450 Kc., each Sunday at 3:30 p.m. Wm. Richardson, Jr., pastor.

I want to try to get in touch with all Church of God members in this district who are in defence work. I wish to get in touch with those in Battle Creek, Lansing, Kalamazoo, Jackson and Charlotte, Mich. Please write to me for the nearest church to attend on this district. Any boys in the Armed Forces in and around Camp Custer, get in touch with me and I will be glad to visit any of them.—W. T. Truett, district pastor, 226 N. Bridge St., Grand Ledge, Mich., phone 23.

Appeal for Bibles

Dear Evangel Readers everywhere, we are now working in a territory in Wyoming where sin and worldly pleasure enslaves the whole countryside. Never in all of our ministry have we found men so enslaved by sin. We have scattered out thousands of tracts and Lighted Pathways, but now we need Bibles. In one service nearly every one raised his hand that they had no Bible. I asked how many of them wanted Bibles and their hands went up again.

A certain modernistic denomination has held religious sway over this whole river valley for many years. The leaders of this particular sect have been corrupt to the very level of hell. Drunkenness and lustful entertainments are their chief sins. Their present leader sponsors and plays for their dances till the early hours of the morning. On Sunday mornings he goes through the pomp of holy communion and administers to all who will eat and drink it. If we have ever felt that our tent has been pitched near the gates of hell we have felt so the last two years. We are calling on our friends everywhere for prayer. Pray for us and especially our children. We have to guard our children

against evil here like lambs among wolves.

We want all the people who are able to send us their spare Bibles to hand out. If you haven't a Bible to send, possibly you can send a small offering so we can buy some Bibles to hand to these people. This is a worthy campaign and I am sure God will reward every one for his efforts. Our address is Baggs, Wyo.—R. H. Klaudt, overseer of Wyoming.

To anyone with sons stationed at Ft. Jackson, S. C., please advise them that the Church of God is located approximately one mile south of the capitol on Main Street, one block south of the Union Station, in Columbia, S. C. I shall be glad to assist in arranging for the boys to attend our services.—Edwin M. Mortenson, pastor, 1206 Tobacco St., Columbia, S. C.

The Church of God, Columbia, S. C., is on the air over radio station WCOS, each Sunday from 8:30-9:00 a. m., also Mondays through Fridays from 2:15-2:30 p. m.—Edwin M. Mortenson, pastor.

Iowa State Camp Meeting and Convention

The Iowa camp meeting and convention will convene at Jefferson, Iowa, beginning June 30 and continuing until July 9, the convention being July 7-9. Rev. Earl P. Paulk, Second Assistant General Overseer, will be with us. The state camp meeting board has secured a nice tourist camp in Jefferson, on highway 30, where a large tent will be erected for the camp meeting. Those who desire to secure a cabin may write Rev. Merle DeWitt, Vine St., Jefferson, Iowa. You may secure a plain cabin for \$1.00 a day, a modern cabin for \$1.50 a day. Meals will be served on campus by freewill offerings. Prepare now to attend the great feast. Remember the date—June 30-July 9. We will be looking for you.—J. L. Goins, state overseer of Iowa.

DELAYED EVANGELS

We are sorry but it is most impossible to get the Evangel subscriptions out as early as we would like to, and especially as early as many subscribers think we should. One week is usually required to get them from the local church through the bookkeeping department. Another week is required to make the stencils and get them mailed out to the field. In many cases it even requires three weeks. Pastors

or solicitors could greatly help us here, if they would not hold up subscriptions already received, waiting to obtain a certain number or additional subscriptions. We appreciate your efforts for the Evangel and assure you that we are doing all that is humanly possible to get the paper out as early as possible.—E. C. Clark, Editor.

STATE CONVENTION DATES

May 5-7—Oregon-Washington
May 7-14—Colored Assembly
May 9, 10—Idaho
May 12-14—New York, Montana
May 18-21—Indiana, Minnesota-Wisconsin, Wyoming
May 26-28—Mississippi, Colorado, Utah
June 1-4—South Carolina, Louisiana, New Mexico
June 8-11—Virginia
June 9-11—Arkansas, Missouri
June 13-15—Florida (Camp meeting, 13-22)
June 15-18—Georgia
June 22-25—North Carolina, Ohio, West Canada
North and South Dakota camp meeting June 26-July 4, at Minot, N. Dak.
June 29-July 2—Tennessee
June 30-July 2—Kansas-Nebraska, North and South Dakota
July 6-9—Michigan, Oklahoma, Iowa
July 13-16—West Virginia, Texas, Illinois
July 18-23—Kentucky, Pennsylvania
July 25, 26—Connecticut, Rhode Island
July 28-30—Alabama, New Jersey, New England States
August 3-6—Delaware, Maryland

Praying Brings Happiness

SOUTH BOSTON, Va.—I praise the Lord for saving my soul, sanctifying and baptizing me with the precious Holy Ghost. The more we pray the happier we feel. I thank God for it today. I thank Him for my home and two dear little girls. Pray that I will be a true mother in Christ and raise them just like He would have them to be. I thank God for the Church of God in South Boston, Va., which I have been a member of almost two years, also for our dear pastor, Brother C. W. Collins, and family. I thank God for each member. The Lighted Pathway and Evangel have meant lots to me. Pray for my husband and all my loved ones to be saved.—Mrs. Mary Snow.

REPORTS

Arizona Camp Meeting and Convention

Yes, the great Arizona camp meeting and convention has come and gone, but sweet memories of this great meeting still linger in the hearts and minds of us who were present. We realize that in numbers we are not so great in this state, however we are making remarkable progress. Two new churches have been organized this year, with a good outlook for a number more, not saying anything of the numbers who have united with the churches.

We met at the Southside Church on Friday evening, March 24, for the first service of our camp meeting. There we found a large audience already gathered for prayer, and the camp meeting spirit was in evidence everywhere in the congregation. Rev. O. C. Crank, our state overseer, was the principal evening speaker in the camp meeting. As he brought to us the message each evening such as only years of training and the anointing of the Holy Ghost could produce, our hearts were lifted to mountain peaks of ecstasy, while the audience was stirred, and many made their way to the altar and found God. One lady, who had been a prominent member of another organization for a number of years, made her way to the altar and found God in the old-fashioned way, and went on her way rejoicing with the number of others that found God.

Many outstanding features added much to the meetings. We were on the air with a broadcast each day, over station KPHO here in Phoenix. We had a number of visiting ministers with us—Rev. C. C. Rains, overseer of Washington and Oregon; Rev. George Savchenko, Mt. Vernon, Washington; Rev. Napp Mushegan, of Walla Walla, Washington; Rev. S. W. Bunch, of Blythe, Calif.; Rev. Harding Mushegan, of Pomona, Calif.—which added much to the convention, with their good messages, along with the good messages delivered by our Arizona ministers.

We were highly favored in having with us in our convention, our General Overseer and wife, Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Walker. Brother Walker delivered some wonderful messages on prayer

and missions, which were enjoyed very much. The people enjoyed Brother Walker's good messages and his bright smiles, but most of all his kind words of encouragement, and they are longing for the time when he can come our way again.

On Saturday afternoon, when the ministers were reporting for their churches, it was marvelous to see what had been done by those blessed ministers and their churches. They didn't come complaining about their hard places of labor, or their difficulties, but they came forward rejoicing, they had put their programs over, and much more than that.

We received the orphanage offering on Saturday evening. The convention orphanage offering reached \$341—by far the greatest ever. We received our mission offering on Sunday morning, which was \$734—almost double that of last year. So you can readily see that God is blessing the work here in Arizona. We feel that there will be many more good things to report by the Assembly. We think we have one of the best state overseers in the Church, and his ability as a leader is adding much to the progress and development of the Church of God in Arizona.—*Floyd L. Ramsey, state secretary and treasurer.*

Central Canada Convention

The convention of the Church of God in Central Canada was blessed with the presence of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. It convened in the new church built in Windsor this last year. We were honored with the presence of Rev. Earl P. Paulk, who did some of the best preaching ever heard in these parts. Rev. Paul H. Walker and wife were also with us throughout the convention, and helped to make the convention the success that it was. The spiritual tide ran high and the financial end of the convention was a success in every way. Nine people affiliated themselves with the church, three from Michigan and six from Canada. Prospects look good for the work in Central Canada.—*Harry B. Lane, overseer.*

Love can build a fence around every congregation to keep the devil out of it and its affairs.

REVIVALS

DUNFORDTOWN, Va.—We have just concluded a four-week revival in the Dunfords town church with Rev. C. D. Henry, of Boswell, Pa., as the evangelist. The revival began on this wise: "The L.W.W.B. of this church felt the great need of a closer walk with the Lord. Sometime around the first of December, they began a daily prayer meeting from house to house, with about three or four in the first attendance, then the interest began to grow until several were interested, some getting saved, etc. This was kept up until the night of watch meeting, December 31. Then here and there, the revival began. From the first night until the revival closed the Lord did bless. Some weeks the evangelist would not get to preach more than two sermons. We are surely glad to have a man of God that is willing to let the Lord have His way in the services. He is much given over to the leading of the Holy Ghost.

Some of the most precious young men and young girls were saved. Some of the leading citizens of this little village were saved and filled with the Holy Ghost and came into the church. The church has been edified and the tithes were increased to the highest amount in the history of the Dunfords town church. Most every Sunday night the church was filled to its seating capacity. Taking everything into consideration, it was the best revival that Dunfords town church has ever had, at least the church said so.

Those that were saved and came into the church are the kind of people who will be of great benefit to the church and to God in His work. The saints here are 100 per cent for the Church of God.

We believe in promoting the entire program of the Church of God in the time of a revival or at any other time in the work of the church. By continuing our daily prayer meeting, the church has been built up in the Lord. These are the results of this four weeks of labor in the revival: twenty-eight saved, twenty-four sanctified, twenty-one filled with the Holy Ghost, and twenty added to the church.

Brother Henry preaches a full gospel and obeys the leading of the Holy Ghost. Please do not forget to pray for us and for the church, that we will continue in the good work.—*C. H. Blankenship, pastor, Rt. 1, Bandy, Va.*

TESTIMONIES

By His Help I Will Do His Will

Dear Saints, I am asking you to pray for me. I am one of God's children and I am trying to do His will, but something is still between us, so I am asking you to pray for me.

These are some of the things I do every day—thank Him for the things He has done for me; starting the day I pray and read a chapter out of my Testament, then through the day I read the Church of God Evangel. It tells of the wonderful things God has done. At night I read my Testament, pray and retire to bed with my Bible in my hand or under my pillow. Through the day I also carry my Testament with me most everywhere I go.

My daily prayers are for the workers of the Lord, the pastors as they deliver God's message to the sinners, the boys overseas, the sick and poor, our mothers, fathers, sisters and brothers, also my most loved one at home, who is my wife and a dear worker of our Father above.

I do ask for your prayers because I do want to get closer to the Lord than what I am. He will keep us and make a way for us as long as we praise Him. —S|Sgt. Haggie I. Cockman, A.S.N. 14003048, Btry. C., 230th AAA S|1 Bn. (Service), Fort Bliss, Texas. (Mrs. Haggie I. Cockman, Box 668, Palatka, Florida.)

A Soldier's Testimony

Just a few lines to let you know how much I enjoy reading the Evangel and how much it means to my soul. No matter where I may be or how hard my task may be, when I receive the Evangel I can feel the presence of Jesus and my soul leaps for joy as I read those wonderful sermons. I read my Evangel and pass it on to another mate. When I read about what the saints of God are doing back home, it gives me a greater determination to press on. No matter how hard this mission may be or how much I suffer, nothing is too hard or too great to sacrifice for a free and peace-loving country like America.

I have a wife and five children whom I hold most dear to my heart on earth. Please pray for me and my family, that God's blessings will be upon us and for my safe return. I feel

that it would be good that service would be opened every Sunday morning with a prayer for the men who are oversea. I do not doubt that there is much prayer for us; I know there is; I am so hungry for a good old-time service. I have a place of worship but the greatest thing I miss is when I walk in I do not see those precious smiles from the Wimauma children; but again I think, "Well, where they are it is safe and may God keep it that way."

Many months ago when I sailed to a place, as we sailed and I lost sight of land it seemed like the whole world was in darkness but as I sailed at night and watched the moon and stars, it seemed as if I heard a voice saying, "Be not afraid, I am with you, even to the end of the way."

On Sunday morning a week later, I landed safe on a foreign shore. I ask the prayers of all the saints for my safe return. May God bless you all. Good-day. — Robert George Holmes, S 3|c, c/o Fleet P. O., San Francisco, Calif.

Inspired To Keep Living for Jesus

SPRINGVILLE, Calif.—Dear Friends of the Church of God: I receive your paper weekly and no one knows how it inspires me to keep living for Jesus. I have been in the sanatorium over three years. By His grace, and if it is His will, I know I will be going home soon. My healing hasn't been what most people call a miracle but I surely give God all the praise, for I know to Him it is due.

The Lord Shall Give Thee Strength

O Child of God, rest in the Lord. Put your life, with all your problems, in His hands. He knows the burdens and the heartaches you are bearing. The Lord will keep you. He will strengthen and guide you, Psalms 48:14, for this God is our God for ever and ever. He will be our guide even unto death.

Sick one, lift up your heart. The Lord loves you and He will heal you. Only trust Him. Perhaps you wonder why you must lie in bed when there is so much work to do. Dear one, God knows all about us. He knows when to give the sunshine and the rain. The Father who is caring for you knows your life. Never doubt; wait on the Lord; be of good courage, and He shall

strengthen thine heart. Wait, I say, on the Lord. Don't be afraid for the future, for the Lord didn't give us the spirit of fear but of power and of love and a sound mind, 2 Tim. 1:7. Look to Him and let your soul rest in the Lord.

You who have children in the Armed Service, put that son or daughter in His hands. He careth for you and yours. He knows the danger your child faces. He will walk with him or her all the way, for He says, "Lo, I am with you always, even unto death." You parents whose sons have already given their lives for their country, remember, God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

You parents who still have your little children in your arms, remember your duty and teach your children from the Holy Word of God that they may be able to face the world with true Christian faith. Teach a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it.

To each and every one of you, put your trust in the One who died for you and rest in His strength.—Mrs. Rozella Murrell, c/o Sanatorium, Springville, Calif.

Shining for Jesus

WINNSBORO, S. C.—I truly praise God for His wonderful love, for the sweet peace I find in living for Jesus. A little over six years ago God wonderfully saved, sanctified and filled me with the Holy Ghost. It just suits me tonight. I praise God for a husband who fears God and serves Him. God will do great things for us if we will get humble before Him and live where He can use us. We thank God for our dear pastor and his family; they have been a great blessing to the people here. The Church of God in Winnsboro is "a light that is set on a hill" and it is shining for Jesus.—Mrs. Besie Driggers.

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DIVINE HEALING

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Psa. 103:3 says, "... who healeth all thy diseases." There is nothing too hard for God to heal. I have seen hundreds of people healed, of all kinds of diseases, and I have been healed myself. The reason people are not getting healed today is because they won't do what God wants them to do. There are certain conditions to be met for healing, just as there are to be saved. James 5:16 says, "Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed." I believe that every one who meets God's conditions, and according to His plan, will be healed. We need more healings in our churches and homes. Real healings will start good revivals and will create more love in our hearts, so let us all practice healing more; it will cause souls to be saved. When you find a church that has a lot of healing done in it, you will find a loyal and spiritual church. You must be close to God to get Him to heal for you. Peter and John, in Acts 3:1, were just men as we are and were serving the same God that we are serving. I believe in all the signs, if they are carried out in the right way. For instance, Acts 28:3 is the only place I find that a serpent was handled and when it bit Paul he felt no harm. Now if we are true and get into trouble, like Paul did, God will take care of us today. Paul's way brought blessings and not a curse. If we read through the sixth verse we see that it caused people to believe, and healings followed. So one will follow the other, if God is in it.

It has always been, and is yet, God's plan to heal His people. Some will say, "If we had the faith we could be healed." We have it; all we need is to just put it into practice. All will say, "I believe God can heal"; but I know God will heal, and if you want good revivals, just get some real healings done in your church. Just the other day I saw a woman healed who was very sick, and many others I have seen healed, too. Jesus was slain for the sin of the world, but He was bruised and by His stripes we are healed, and if the stripes have lost their effect, then the blood has lost its power too. But, praise God, they both are still in force today and will be as long as God has any children here to trust in Him. Please, all you church members, trust God more and

you will have more victory in your souls. It has been about twenty-five or twenty-six years since I have taken a dose of medicine, and I have had appendicitis, a broken arm, broken ribs, and many other things, and God has healed them all, some instantly and some gradually. All who read this, practice it and see how much better you get along. Pray for me. I need your prayers always.

CHURCH OF GOD ORPHANAGE REPORT

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Delaware	22.79	8.36
District of Columbia	36.33	25.08
Florida	1,752.86	2,019.51
Georgia	896.17	989.32
Idaho	40.37	78.51
Illinois	308.63	401.81
Indiana	94.72	147.07
Iowa	43.91	46.95
Kansas	48.23	73.79
Kentucky	399.91	662.14
Louisiana	532.62	237.54
Maine	39.43	52.32
Maryland	215.57	180.77
Massachusetts	9.13	6.26
Michigan	363.53	610.54
Minnesota	10.75	5.64
Mississippi	137.16	275.61
Missouri	376.86	403.26
Montana	64.56	74.18
Nebraska	7.26	28.15
New Jersey	59.56	32.11
Nex Mexico	40.59	73.11
New York	45.45	24.83
North Carolina	1,134.66	1,541.65
North Dakota	64.88	133.10
Ohio	607.03	724.14
Oklahoma	87.54	114.48
Oregon	28.66	48.53
Pennsylvania	212.94	309.37
South Carolina	2,409.69	1,543.69
South Dakota	69.11	140.04
Tennessee	963.87	952.21
Texas	1,547.86	638.82
Utah	2.97	9.56
Virginia	448.82	510.83
Washington	115.13	235.45
West Virginia	760.91	629.01
Wisconsin	21.50	13.88
Wyoming	3.06	25.80
Consul, Canada	11.05	
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B. T. S. AND COLLEGE NEWS

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three to twenty-one years of age. Nine-tenths of the people converted are converted before they are twenty-

one years old. Unless they are won through the church school in these early years, the chances are against their ever being brought to the Master. We should put into those hearts such divine inspiration through the zeal of our own personality, that they will be able to look back and say that Christ was manifested in our lives.

Let us enlarge the vision of our task until we are not content to be a teacher of facts, but a winner of girls and boys for Christ.

NOTES FROM MY LETTERS

(Continued from page 2)

TELEGRAM

Greatest revival in history of Greenville church. Fourteen received the Holy Ghost, four added to church in first week. Two hundred more than church would seat last night.—Lindsey F. Pratt, evangelist; C. H. Isbell, pastor, Greenville, Mississippi.

TELEGRAM

Broke all-time record of Sunday School attendance and offerings. Two hundred dollars orphanage offering.—R. C. Muncy, pastor, Rome, Georgia.

TELEGRAM

Pittsburg (Kansas) district, Y.P.E. and Sunday School convention at Weir was great success. Spiritual tide ran high. Orphanage offering of \$200 was greatest ever taken in Kansas. W. R. Collins, state Y.P.E. and Sunday School superintendent, in charge.—L. J. Potts, pastor.

I think that we had one of the greatest district conventions at Harlan that I ever attended. The singing was good, and every speaker was anointed. The district mission offering was \$2,000. Please join in prayer that the other eleven districts will be as good as this one.—W. J. Milligan, overseer of Kentucky.

God gave us a fine district convention at Joliet. This was our first convention. An excellent spirit prevailed and everything was uplifting. We raised \$155.07 for missions, which is the largest mission offering for a district yet taken in Montana. I believe I can report that there is a rising tide in Montana that bids us a very good future. I have 100 per cent cooperation, and the ministers seem so anxious to go forward. We have two ex-

tellent revivals going on now. This spring we hope to get into the new fields. We have plans for a fine place now.—A. H. Thompson, overseer of Montana.

Just a few lines to report our revival which just closed here, with Brother Harold W. Smith, of Mooresville, North Carolina, as the evangelist. Three souls were saved, and one received the Holy Ghost. We all enjoyed the good messages by Brother Smith. This is the first revival effort in Longview. Pray for us that the work will grow and that souls will be saved and added to the church.—David Green, pastor, Longview, Washington.

Guess it will be well to tell you a little bit about our work in the state. We would not say that we are doing any great things; but the work in general seems to be moving on smoothly. We have organized one new church this year, purchased one church building near Cherry Valley, and built a parsonage on the lot beside the church. We also purchased a large two-story dwelling in Forrest City, which is being arranged for a church. This building is on a paved street in a nice part of town, just one block

from Highway No. 70 which is Main Street. Then, too, we have built a new church and parsonage near Eudora, which is close to the Louisiana line.—A. L. Burroughs, overseer of Arkansas.

TELEGRAM

Just closed great revival. S. C. Chambers, evangelist. Thirty-nine saved, thirty-two sanctified, forty-one received the Holy Ghost, thirty added to the church, and thirty-two baptized in water.—C. E. Richard, pastor, Greensboro, North Carolina.

REVIVAL

WATTSVILLE, S. C.—We began a revival at the Church of God in Laurens, S. C., February 14, with Rev.

Alton Edenfield doing the preaching. Brother Edenfield is a member of the Church of God in Winnsboro and an ex-soldier who was wounded overseas in battle. God called him to preach the gospel while on the battlefield for his country and he is doing a good work since coming back to the States. There were ninety-seven saved, thirty-nine sanctified, and thirty-two filled with the Holy Ghost according to Acts 2:4. We received thirty-six into the church and three came by transfer, making a total of thirty-nine increase in our membership. God certainly did bless the church here. All of the members were revived and the church is really on the move for God and His great cause.—W. D. Childers, pastor, 19 Gallon St.

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